

Amendments to the Claims:

Claims 1-11 (Canceled).

12. **(Currently amended):** A method for inducing a protective immune response against Salmonella enterica in an animal, comprising administering an effective amount of vaccine comprising a live attenuated Salmonella enterica bacterium, said ~~Salmonella~~ bacterium not having a functional tRNA_{5^{leu}}, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 13 (Cancelled).